



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Most of Colorado had little or no precipitation last week. Statewide, moisture was well below average for this time of year. Temperatures continued to be higher than normal. The warm, dry conditions allowed producers an average of 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	21	37	41	1
Last Week	19	36	44	1
Last Year	6	24	67	3

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	14	45	38	3
Last Week	13	40	44	3
Last Year	19	36	44	1

Small Grains: Winter wheat was 96 percent seeded and 71 percent emerged by the end of last week. The crop is rated in mostly good condition.

Row Crops: Sorghum was 88 percent mature and 31 percent harvested. The crop is in mostly good condition. Dry onions were 89 percent harvested by week's end. Sunflowers were 60 percent harvested while summer potatoes were 95 percent harvested. Fall potatoes were 79 percent harvested. Corn was 99 percent mature and 37 percent harvested and rated in mostly good condition. Sugarbeets were 31 percent harvested and in mostly good condition. Dry beans were 98 percent cut and 80 percent harvested by the end of the week.

ROW CROP CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending October 14, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn					
This Week	2	3	22	52	21
Last Year	5	12	21	43	19
Sorghum					
This Week	0	0	21	65	14
Last Year	1	16	35	47	1

Alfalfa Hay: Fourth cutting was 47 percent complete by the end of the week. The crop is in mostly good to fair condition.

Pasture and Range: Conditions remained about the same as the previous week and continue to be rated in mostly good to fair.

Livestock: Death loss for cattle was reported at average while sheep were slightly below average last week. Livestock is rated in mostly good condition. Stored feed supplies are above average for this time of year.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending October 14, 2007

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range	5	12	36	44	3
Prev. Year	13	24	38	23	2
5-Year Avg.	17	23	37	21	2

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Development Ratings for Week Ending October 14, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg.
Winter Wheat				
Seeded	96	84	96	97
Emerged	71	59	81	80
Corn				
Mature	99	92	98	93
Harvested	37	29	21	25
Sorghum				
Mature	88	76	59	69
Harvested	31	22	14	21
Sunflowers				
Harvested	60	45	43	32
Alfalfa				
4 th Cutting	47	35	42	48
Dry Onions				
Harvested	89	83	97	93
Sugarbeets				
Harvested	31	20	27	25
Summer Potatoes				
Harvested	95	81	91	94
Fall Potatoes				
Harvested	79	60	90	87
Dry Beans				
Cut	98	91	95	97
Harvested	80	72	77	82

COLORADO CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION RATINGS 1/

Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat	0	5	23	50	22
Corn	2	3	22	52	21
Sorghum	0	0	21	65	14
Alfalfa	1	6	27	46	20
Sugarbeets	0	5	16	68	11
Livestock	2	2	12	62	22

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.

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